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UNCOVERED VEINS.

Glacial Action Exposed the Veins of Western Ontario.

PLACER GOLD MAY BE FOUND

IN PAYING QUANTITIES IN THIS DISTRICT—SMALL LOTS HAVE BEEN FOUND IN GRAVEL DEPOSITS.

There is a deal of speculation as to the origin of the placer gold of the Klondyke and Cape Nome. Most reliable and scientific authority concluded that the glacial period was largely responsible for the deposition of the gold in the sands and gravels, but the same glaciers which moved over the vast northern territory in their process to the sea and carried with them rocks, sand, gravel, metal and all that lay in their path, depositing as they moved, great boulders and tons of rock, debris and gravel, and gold torn or swept from the lodes over which they passed, also buried the lodes to various depths. Blind ledges must be sought for in Alaska. Many of the great mines of Idaho, Montana, Utah and Colorada were covered ledges with nothing to indicate the existence on the surface before the discovery, and even where barren quartz has cropped on the surface it was often found rich gold bearing ex.

In this regard the glacial action in Northwestern Ontario was entirely different. Here the original mountains or upheavals have been ground off by glaciers, and the debritus carried away, leaving the entire country, generally speaking, bare of all covering. In this gigantic denudation and grinding off of the rock, everywhere visible, signs of placer on a scale sufficient to pay for working have been located. Indeed, there has been no intelligent effort directed toward that end. The gold in the veins exposed throughout

ed directors for the ensuing year: J. Conmee, M.P.P., Port Arthur; Angus Carmichael, W. J. Mstain, Geo. Swanson and Henry Lefebvre, Rat Portage. The officers of the company are: Jas. Conmee, M.P.P., president; G. A. Kobold, vice-president; A. Carmichael, treasurer, and E. Coolidge, secretary.

The company owns in fee simple three island locations and one water area surrounding the islands, comprising all, 40 acres, situated in Big bay, Shoal lake, west of Lake of the Woods, district of Rainy River, and which are traversed by three large veins that have been tested by diamond drill borings. The property is favorably situated, being only 32 miles from Rat Portage, and is accessable by uninterrupted navigation from that point. A working shaft is now being put down, and is now at the 90 foot level, which it is proposed to continue to a depth of 240 feet on vein No. 2, at the point at which it was cross cut by the diamond drill. It is the intention of the company to install a full complement of machinery, and to erect a stamp mill with a cyanide or chlorination system for treating the concentrates attached as quickly as possible, and it will not be long before the mine will be a dividend payer.

The company is capitalized at $151,000, $50,000 of which have been placed in the treasury for working purposes. There are no liabilities. It is a close corporation, the stock of the company having never been placed on the market and none of which is at present for sale. Altogether the outlook of the company is very bright, and there is every indication to believe that it Tycoon will shortly become one of leading gold brick producers on the Lakes of the Woods.

The New Sabaskong

The annual meeting of The New Sabaskong Gold Mining Company of Ontario Limited, was held at the head office of the Company, Carmichael Block on Saturday, July 14, 1900.

The following gentlemen were elected directors for the ensuing year:

James Conmee, M. P. P., Port Arthur; A. M. Wills, customs collector, Port Arthur; George Drewry, Angus Carmichael, E. A. Chapman, Frank Gardner, Rat Portage; John T.

THE MIKADO MINE

Work Commences on the Extensive Improvements.

Work on the extensive improvements recommended by Manager McMillan and Lead Engineer Deacon, and which were endorsed by the London Board, was commenced this week. About fifty thousand dollars will be spent in further development work, machinery, etc. A new boarding house with sleeping accommodation for sixty men and dining room accommodation for one hundred has been commenced. A large machine shop will also be erected on the surface and a large lathe, planing and boring machines installed, which will be capable of handling any repair work needed at the mine.

The main shaft which is down 240 feet will be sunk to a further depth of 200 feet. No. 2 shaft is down 215 feet and it is intended to sink it to a depth of 415 feet. There will also be a lot of extra drifting done and probably more than 1,000 feet of exploratory diamond drilling in the shafts.

A Ledgerwood hoisting machine will be installed in the main shaft. This machine will have a capacity of lifting 2½ tons 700 feet every minute from a depth of 3,000 feet. It will have a self-dumping skip, an improvement which will considerably lessen the cost of handling the ore. The Jas. Cooper Co., of Montreal, have the contract for the hoist and skip.

The present large hoist will be used in No. 2 shaft.

A contract has been let to the Polson works of Toronto for place machinery for the mill. Ten stamps will be added to the available plant at once. All this proposed work in the mine will not interfere with the operation of the mine and the mill as it is at present carried on. The mill will continue running till all the projected work in the mine is completed, when it is quite likely the number of stamps will be increased.

The company will have by August 1st a sufficient supply of fuel to last over a year.

These improvements at the Mikado give the most striking evidence of the permanency of the gold mining industry in this district. The company has worked quietly in satisfying them-

different. Here the original mountains or upheavals have been ground off by glaciers, and the debritus carried away, leaving the entire country, generally speaking, bare of all covering. In this gigantic denudation and grinding off of the rock, everywhere visible, signs of placer on a scale sufficient to pay for working have been located. Indeed, there has been no intelligent effort directed toward that end. The gold in the veins exposed throughout Ontario must have gone somewhere in the glacial drift. But where? That is the question. It may be in the bottom of the numerous deep lakes, or it may be deposited in the gravel beds scattered over Minnesota and the Dakotas. The recent excitement regarding placer gold on the Sisseton Indian reservation in South Dakota was due to a small lot of placer gold being found in a gravel deposit, and the writer succeeded in panning a little gold from a creek bed at Gang in the same State in 1878.

One of the reports of the Ontario bureau of mines states that the most favorable placer gold would be on the Little Turtle river, in the Seine River district, but so far as THE MINER is advised, no systematic effort has been made to test that field. Another probable field for placer gold is on the Rat Root river, south of Rainy Lake City, in Minnesota. Indeed placer gold was obtained there about four years ago by an old trapper, but he refused to divulge the location. He, however, brought some to that town that showed particles of gold under a glass.

Some day some one may locate the hiding place of the gold loosened from its original resting place by nature's stamp mill during the glacial age, but, meantime, the work of extracting the precious metal from its rocky casement will go on in this region in ever-increasing volume. The output of nearly half a million dollars last year from Lake of the Woods region should be increased four fold this year, and we hope and believe that gold production here will yet rival the Cripple Creek region, which produced $1,000,000 in June, besides an output by private corporations which refuse to divulge the exact amount of their earnings.

History, it is said, repeats itself, and the work now going on all over these gold fields will soon produce gold in sufficient quantities to attract the attention of the whole world. It will be a permanent production, too, and not of the effervescent character common to all placer ground, that sooner or later ceases to be productive.

Tycoon Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Tycoon Mining and Development Company of Ontario, Limited, was held at the head office of the company, Carmichael block, on Saturday, July 14th, 1900.

The following gentlemen were elect-

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The following gentlemen were elected directors for the ensuing year: James Conmee, M. P. P., Port Arthur; A. M. Willy, customs collector, Port Arthur; George Drewry, Angus Carmichael, E. A. Chapman, Frank Gardner, Rat Portage; John T. Gilmour, warden Central Prison, Toronto; H. M. Boyd, customs broker, Montreal.

The Company own what is known locally as "The Sabaskong mining locations," being part of the territory claimed as Indian Reserve 38B, Lake of the Woods, and composed of locations 1 to 18 inclusive, comprising 2,400 acres. The property lies about six miles south of Rat Portage, and is divided from the Sultana Island, and the "Sultana" mine by an arm of Bald Indian Bay a strip of water a few hundred feet in width. They commenced active operations on April 22nd, 1899. Buildings were erected on Location 18 and a gang of miners were at work all summer stripping, crosscutting, test-pitting, and otherwise developing a large deposit on that location.

The miners also uncovered and crosscut and put down test pits on another vein on Location No. 13. There has been altogether enough development work done to prove that the company has two very rich locations in Nos. 13 and 18.

There are still 16 other locations that have not yet been prospected, and there is every indication to believe that some very rich veins will be discovered when these locations are actively worked.

It is the intention of the company to sink a shaft on the location known as No. 13 and active work will be started in that direction at once. The company is a close corporation, has no liabilities and its stock has never been placed upon the market and is one which is at present for sale.

The officers of the company are: J. Conmee, M.P.P., president; G. Drewry, vice-president; G. A. K[illegible], treasurer; Ed. Co[illegible], secretary.

The shareholders are confident once a shaft is put down on Location 13, as it is proposed, [illegible] working mine will be added to the ever-increasing list of working properties that is bringing the name of the Lake of the Woods [illegible] to the front, as a district in which free milling ore can be mined as cheaply and as profitably as in any other place in the world.

Capt. Triggs has started another gang to work on the Triggs mine and has taken out teams to haul 1,000 tons of ore to be put on barges for the Keewatin Reduction works. This run of 1,000 tons will probably determine the advisability of placing a mill on the property in the near future.

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These improvements at the Mikado give the most striking evidence of the permanency of the gold mining industry in this district. The company has worked quietly and satisfying themselves that they had a property which was a splendidly paying proposition, and having come to this conclusion they determined that it would pay more handsomely if worked in a big way. Acting at once decided on the [illegible] improvements now being made.

Eldorado Stamps Will Drop.

E. E. Gatensbury was in town [illegible] week from the Eldorado mine and reports that things are moving along in fine shape. He expects to have the stamps dropping in a week and then he will be able to bring in some pretty fair sized bricks. Judging from a sample of ore Mr. Gatensbury showed we are of the opinion that the [illegible] should average very high. In the event the mine is being worked so economically that it will have to be low value indeed not to pay. We expect to give our readers very interesting news from the Eldorado very long.

Big Master Mine.

The machinery for the Big Master mine arrived at Wabigoon Monday last and is being taken to the mine under the director of Mr. D. S[illegible], the manager of the Interstate Consolidated Mineral Co. The machinery consists of a 40 h.p. steel boiler, a hoist, a cage to receive ore [illegible] cable to hoist from 300 feet, [illegible] cars, and a pump, and [illegible] needed in the placing of the [illegible]. All the machinery was supplied by the Jenckes Machine Co. [illegible] Sherbrooke.

The work heretofore done on the Big Master, it is been [illegible] that prior to date may [illegible] been installed, we may look for [illegible] development [illegible] the [illegible] property.

Excursions to Rat Portage.

The railways to the [illegible] are making every effort to secure a share of the traffic to the [illegible] goldfields. The Great Northern railway has authorized a rate leaving St. Paul on the first and third Tuesdays of each month, round trip to Winnipeg for $15.55. The St. Paul and Duluth railway has also authorized a rate of $22.95 from St. Paul to Rat Portage and return via Lake Superior and over the C.P.R. from Port Arthur. This includes meals and berth on steamer. There must be a party of 10 in order to secure this rate.

THE WORLD'S GOLD.

Output will be a Little Smaller This Year Than in 1899

BECAUSE OF THE TRANSVAAL WAR

BUT NEXT YEAR THE PRODUCT WILL PROBABLY BE GREATER THAN EVER.

The total gold recovered from ores mined in the United States last year was $70,[illegible],021, an increase over the preceding year of $5,013,591, or 7.7 per cent, which may be considered a satisfactory gain, says the Engineering and Mining Journal. Nearly all of this gain, however, came from the mines of Colorado, Utah and Alaska, the other gold producing States being nearly stationary in the east. In Colorado the advance was in large part due to the Cripple Creek mines, although there was more activity in Gilpin county, in Lead[illegible] and other districts. In Utah the Mammoth district furnished a large part of the increase, while that in Alaska was largely due to the discoveries at Cape Nome. Colorado retained its rank as the gold producer, furnishing [illegible] per cent. of the total. California ranked second, though at some [illegible] interval, while South Dakota is third place, at another little [illegible]. Alaska was fourth last year, Montana holding fifth place and Utah the sixth.

In addition to the gold production from our own ores, there was purchased or refined in the United States from foreign chiefly Mexican and Canadian ores and bullion a further amount of $29,422,691, making the total amount of the gold refined and put into marketable form by our smelters and refiners $99,518,712. This is an increase of $12,411,322 over the corresponding total for 1898.

The total output of yellow metal in the world last year was $[illegible]2,397,819, an increase over 1898 of $[illegible]3,357, or 8.9 per cent. The growth in gold production has now continued for several years, and apparently is [illegible] yet at an end.

The year showed some [illegible], not all of which were expected. Australasia took the first place as a producer, the Transvaal being second and the [illegible] better and cheaper processes, cheaper material and transportation; 5 working of placer deposits with steam shovels and dredges; 6 increased production of copper and other ores carrying gold.

The exhaustion of old mines is probably more than offset by the ability to mine cheaply at much greater depth.

A Mania for Operations

Most physicians are anxious to try the surgeon's knife and recommend an operation for piles. A less cruel, less expensive and less risky method is the use of Dr. Chase's Ointment, a preparation that has proved [illegible] known to fail to cure piles, no matter of what form or how long standing. Don't think of [illegible] operation when you can be cured in your own home by the use of Dr. Chase's Ointment. The best physicians use it in their practice.

Cyanide Ores

Where [illegible] the use of cyanide process the percentage of extraction falls from 80 per cent to [illegible] per cent. It is likely that such results are due to an accumulation of [illegible] of decomposition of sulphide [illegible] year. With every new operation a [illegible] quantity of sulphide of potassium is [illegible] ned, which, being a precipitant for silver and gold, gradually precipitates its solution by cyanide. Soda, [illegible] zinc salts could be used in such instances to remove the sulphur [illegible] working solutions by causing [illegible] insoluble metallic sulphides. The effects of roasting sulphides [illegible] from alteration of [illegible] insoluble bodies [illegible] of sulphur, by which [illegible] becomes [illegible] and with [illegible] gold and [illegible] particles [illegible] possible to dissolve and [illegible] management of [illegible] of the [illegible] ins which form [illegible] "burnt." With the ore [illegible] "roasted," the results [illegible] be different. The last named point would be the same but, instead of insoluble oxides, there would be a mixture of sulphides [illegible] oxides [illegible] undecomposed. Most consequently, also, a less product. If all sulphides [illegible] transformed into sulphates [illegible] same time little would be [illegible] adopting such a method [illegible] to cyanidation.

Business Progression.

Our business [illegible] of prosperous, [illegible] need to be [illegible] dispensing facilities [illegible] is run out of [illegible] business and [illegible] are [illegible] We are [illegible] our stock of [illegible] Sponges, [illegible] Combs [illegible] goods [illegible] price [illegible] lowest [illegible]

[illegible] management, as in other things, the cheapest man is he who shows how to succeed, and the most costly man to the members of a co[illegible] enterprise is the man who fails, and this would still be true though not a cent were paid him for his services.

There is an inevitable and unavoidable loss of gold and zinc in smelting cyanide slimes, though where the latter are well oxidized and properly fluxed the loss of zinc is reduced to a minimum; for nearly all the zinc goes into the slag except what is reduced in the smelting with a partly [illegible] the silica and partly other [illegible] is [illegible]

As far as the gold is concerned, [illegible] has been [illegible] that [illegible] rock has [illegible] and yet to indicate, and, therefore, [illegible] is still considered to be [illegible] The greater portion of the world's [illegible] gold production consists of rocks deposited [illegible] the agency of water and, for this [illegible] classified [illegible] The [illegible]

Blackening [illegible] Shows

[illegible]

Sawdust Graduates.

Most of the circus acrobats and not a few of the rough and tumble comedians of the stage who have graduated from the ring were reared and learned the rudiments of their business in the lumber towns of the northwest. In the "business" these are known as "sawdust towns" on account of the sawmills, which are their chief industry. There are many of these in Wisconsin and Michigan and several in Iowa that have turned out the bulk of the acrobats and tumblers in the business.

In the "sawdust towns" the small boys have exceptional facilities for learning to turn somersaults and handsprings in the great beds of sawdust that surround the mills. Soon they begin to try the more difficult feats they see done in the shows that visit the towns. After school hours they [illegible] until it is time to go home and do [illegible] chores." Finally out of them all [illegible] two or three boys [illegible] the knack of the acrobatic [illegible] and these work in constant rivalry, each trying to excel the other.

One day along comes a circus, and the best boy tumbler applies for a job and shows what he can do. Perhaps he is given a chance as a "top mounter" or the top man in a pyramid act, because he is light and active. When he gets older, heavier and stronger, he [illegible] "understanding," or the man who holds [illegible] mountain of men on his shoulders [illegible] he gets to the show [illegible]

8.0 per cent. The growth in gold pro[illegible] of which were expe[illegible] took the first place [illegible] transvaal being se[illegible] and the [illegible] United States dropping [illegible] Russia again, [illegible] but Canada [illegible] in its total yearly [illegible] of the Russian [illegible] was, of course, [illegible] equipment of the Kaffir [illegible] less degree, to the [illegible] furnished by the pl[illegible] country.

The Transvaal would [illegible] have held the first position [illegible] have reported for 1899 [illegible] year, had it not been for the [illegible] of the war which se[illegible] stop to the operation [illegible] mines. This striking inferior[illegible] it has never before [illegible] world's history that [illegible] between two nations [illegible] great gold producing district. The Witwatersrand gold d[illegible] many respects unlike [illegible] discoveries worked [illegible] fabulously rich [illegible] larity seems to extend [illegible] also.

The five countries above mentioned—Australasia, the South African republic, the United States, Russia and Canada—together furnished a total of $27,200,000, or 56.0 per cent of the total supply.

In the [illegible] silver prod[illegible] find in the [illegible] and China. In M[illegible] increasing, as mine[illegible] are turning their [illegible] more to gold just [illegible]

In India gold [illegible] limited [illegible] for yo[illegible]

In C[illegible] most [illegible] bearing [illegible] of [illegible] Russian [illegible] al [illegible] may [illegible] [illegible]

The [illegible] will [illegible] ing to [illegible] the Trans[illegible] vaal from the list of pro[illegible] is reasonably [illegible] the mines cannot be brought back to [illegible] productive work for several months after the close of the war, a loss of over one-half the year.

Apart from this check, however, we believe that the production of gold may be expected to increase steadily for a number of years to come owing to the following causes: 1. Enlargement of existing plants; 2 discovery of new gold fields; 3 discovery of new deposits in old districts; 4 development of low grade mines discovered in the past, but unworked because of high cost, though now worked owing to [illegible]

Mining Notes.

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[illegible] Mr. Sceggin's [illegible] piety apparently [illegible] victory to him in the "dewel," for his adversary when found appeared to have been struck behind the ear by a 13 inch shell.—Law Notes.

Science and Skill.

The progressive druggist should be conversant with the science of the profession he follows and skilled in its minutest details. We are practical chemists and druggists; our dispensing department is so managed and fitted up that accuracy is continually guaranteed. We respectfully solicit a visit.

FOR THE WEAK AND RUNDOWN

We call special attention to Paine's Celery Compound, our best selling medicine. It is a true health and strength restorer for weak and rundown people. It gives that buoyancy of spirits and nerve energy that are so needful in the hot and depressing weather. Paine's Celery Compound stands far above all other remedies for the cure of disease. Johnson's Pharmacy, Rat Portage, Ont.

Blackening Men's Shoes.

There are men in New York today whose fortunes are not small, yet they pay a bootblack a coat a year for shining their shoes. They are their own bootblacks, and not one is ashamed of it. You may depend on one thing—these men were poor in the country, where they were educated in the use of the brush. I said to an acquaintance, some time ago, who he noticed that his 12-year-old son had his shoes shined the other day, "Why don't you make him blacken the family shoes every morning?"

He was silent for the space of a minute, and then said, "Why, I think I am old enough to have a boy to do that for me." I gave a [illegible] the matter where I [illegible]

[illegible] that I was a nothing boy to begin instant and that he was doing me $500 a year which he [illegible] in his pocket. Blacking shoes is special exercise. Many a [illegible] stock. Work is too good to do [illegible] rather like the [illegible] not such a father [illegible] to be in the business instead of giving his friends. [illegible] every [illegible] to black shoes. He may have to make a living at it some day. There is money in the business.—New York Press.

Preparing For a "Dewel."

[illegible] the most remarkable documents that have ever come under our [illegible] is to be found in the case [illegible] parte Scoggin, 6 Tex. App. 546. Mr. Scoggin was under indictment for the murder of one William Gerrard, and an extract from a memorandum book in defendant's handwriting and found near the body ran as follows:

Jonesvs Co., Tex., Jan. 24, 1875.

As this may be [illegible] est pencilling that I may [illegible] Jesus Bless me and the [illegible] to fite, for we have been [illegible] time and have fell out a [illegible] and have agreed to fight a Bull[illegible] of cor[illegible] and as one [illegible] seven lies us, as this is the [illegible] earth with one of us, never [illegible] Written by Jesse [illegible] in Tx. Shed by William [illegible]

Mr. Scoggin's piety apparently [illegible] victory to him in the "dewel," for his adversary when found appeared to have been struck behind the ear by a 13 inch shell.—Law Notes.

Answered the Inquiry.

"What did you tell those people about the flat, Eliza?"

"They asked me if it was good walking distance, and I told them it was."

"Gracious! Good walking distance from what?"

"How do I know? They didn't say, and I wasn't going to be inquisitive."—Chicago Record.

Poor Copy

THE RACE OF LIFE.

The Rev. W. M. Rochester Preaches on the Above

IN KNOX CHURCH ON SUNDAY LAST.

THE VALUE OF TRAINING—THE MAN—VICTORY—PERILS—SUCCESS—REWARDS.

There is good reason for using the language of athletics to point a moral; the qualities needed, and cultivated on the playground are such as life demands. Herein is the condemnation of our games and contests, that they consume rather than renew energy; that youth may have strength, alertness, judgment, endurance for these, but carry none of these qualities into school, to the store or office, to the conflict between right and wrong within and without. When the Colosseum, Rome's great amphitheatre, was falling into disrepair, the citizens carried away the stones therewith to build their dwellings. Had not authority interfered, the great structure would soon have been lost in the buildings reared with its material. Let us learn to incorporate into life the good qualities displayed in our recreations and friendly strife. Our amusements will then contribute in good to efficiency in the work of every day. They will become educational in the truest sense. The race of life of which this passage speaks has much in common with any ordinary trial of speed, skill and strength, called a race. Here we may consider:

The preparation. They say Napoleon and other great leaders really won their battles upon the playgrounds of school. Their supremacy was determined. The training of youth is most important, just as in building a building is every care to the structure to be reared. Character training, discipline, character. Until these will be their victories. Races are won before competitors appear upon the field. The training, long is in the way of youthful objection and self-mastery. Lay aside every weight, under their bodies." Our proper emphasis must be laid on the preparation for running the race; care both on the nature and besets of it. "Lay aside every weight." Lay the sins which do so easily beset us." Here is the training: Put off disencumber; guard against the cares of this world and the deceitfulness of riches. The race is to be run light. Especially must besetting sin be laid aside. Generally there is one weak point in every man. Achilles, the Grecian hero, was vulnerable in the heel; the hero of the German Iliad, between the shoulders; and the stone from David's sling found an unprotected spot, on the fore-

plaudits urged the contestants. The tens of thousands thronging the spacious amphitheatre doubtless contributed some inspiration to the runners. Who would not prize the cheers of the throng? These to whom reference is made as witnesses are the heroes of faith whose deeds are recounted in chapter eleven. They may be spectators, but they have been witnesses for the truth. Many of them sealed their testimony with their blood. They did run well, and gained a crown. We are encouraged as a heritage. This is inspiration. Surely we shall be faithful as they. Less was given them than to us in the way of privilege, and more demanded of them than seems to be required of us. Of late years the kingdom of Greece has again been the scene of notable athletic contests, ground sacred to such use has been trodden not by men of Athens and Sparta merely, but by athletes from the new world as well, and it is still that not only was the victor in the race an American, but he could run better than any of classic days. Here in the words that contain the text issue summons to us to run the Christian race. "Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us." Can we do as well as they who have gone before? Can we do better?

YEARS OF PAIN.

The Experience of Mr. William Smith, of Hawkesbury, who Suffered for Many Years from Kidney Trouble.

From the Post, Hawkesbury, Ont.

Everybody in Hawkesbury knows Mr. William Smith. He came here when the town was yet in its village days, as one of the lumber company's staff of mechanics. In 1881 Mr. Smith was appointed town constable, and filled that position until very recently. As is well known to many of Mr. Smith's friends, he has suffered much from Kidney trouble for quite a number of years past, and at times the pain in his back was so great that he was almost physically incapable of exertion. He doctored a great deal, sometimes getting temporary relief, but the cause of the trouble was not removed and soon the pains, [illegible] At last he looked upon this affliction as one which are one [illegible] permanently. [illegible] might still have been [illegible] tering had not Mrs. [illegible] prevailed upon him to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. "It's [illegible] ed," said Mr. Smith to a reporter of the Post, "that it was a [illegible] experiment, and yet I was willing to [illegible] most anything that would [illegible] I had not used the pills long before there was a decided relief, more in fact than I had obtained from any other medicine. I continued their use and soon all symptoms of the trouble that had made my life one of much misery for many years was gone. I feel that I am cured, and have no hesitation in saying that the cure is due to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and I never lose an opportunity of recommending the pills to neighbors who may be ailing."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills cure by going to the root of the disease. They

TILL THEN.

Like the south flying swallows the summer has flown,
Like the fast falling star from unknown to unknown,
Life flashes and falters and falls from our sight;
Good night, friends, good night.

Like homeward-wing swallows that seek the old eaves,
Like the bulls that wait patient beneath the dull sheaves,
Love will sleep in our hearts till our hands meet
[illegible]
Till in glorious morn then.
—Ada Sheldine Hardy in New York Independent.

THE LITTLE BLACK IMPS

A Story of a German Baron and an American Woman.

Back in Berlin the name of Max Hertzer had been of some account. He was, to begin with, a Hertzer, which meant much. As a matter of course, he was an officer in the army—his sisters had starved themselves for his commission and maintenance—and he was handsome, even for a German officer. Unfortunately for him he sang the love songs of his country, and they are quite the most moving love songs in the world. They move the singers as well as the listeners. They moved Hertzer, and on one night in particular when he was bidden to the house of a certain titled lady he was so lifted out of himself by the charm of his music that he proposed to an American girl who was present and to his startled dismay was accepted.

It was a misfortune, for he was not in sympathy with the American point of view; he did not like the insistence and intellectual arrogance of American women, and he had quite made up his mind to marry a senseless and well born little fraulein who did network and went to kaffee klatsches. He almost loved her, she was so nondescript, and would be well content to make a harmless background of herself for his benefit. Moreover, in spite of all his vanity, he was rather soft hearted, and [illegible] many tears [illegible] blue eyes [illegible] ment to [illegible]

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Yet he married her, and they went to America.

"It is just as well," said his friends sadly. "Really, you know, it is all over with poor Max."

They felt that he was as good as dead.

It was dull in America. Well, New York pass in America and drew little black devils while he was waiting to find out.

Among the many pleasing and heterodox friends who visited the Hertzers was a newspaper man of a whimsical turn of mind. He had been the recipient on a certain occasion of a pack of playing cards in which each club, spade, heart or diamond was represented by scarlet or black devils, and the design upon the backs of the cards was a writhing, twisting inferno of the same scarlame little creatures.

He looked at these long and appreciatively, did the newspaper man, and he was seized with an idea. This idea was the outcome of his observations. He had noticed that there was a look of extreme weariness in the eyes of the amiable Madam Hertzer and that she walked more slowly than she used, and her selections at the piano, which had once been noted for their length, were now brief and lacking in spirit. In short, the brave spirit of Madam Hertzer drooped under many burdens. So the newspaper man entered upon the making of a collection, assisted by the energetic and talented children of the baron. Little black devils were gathered from every part of the house, heads were torn from letters that the fascinating imps might be preserved, leaves were rent from books, and even a pocket handkerchief done in a procession of dancing imps in indelible ink was taken in charge.

The practical friend sent these to a certain much illustrated comic weekly and anxiously awaited the results. The family was of the opinion that there would be no results. The baron was in a state of peaceful ignorance.

But the results were almost dramatic. The comic weekly was amused, and it is not easy to amuse a comic weekly. It wanted a series, indefinitely continued, of little black devils illustrating current events.

The officious friend carried the good news to Baron von Hertzer.

"Sir," stormed the baron, "you have exceeded your privileges. You have made me ridiculous. I am no clown to fillip and kick while the people laugh. Will you have the great goodness to recall these personal possessions of mine from the stranger to whom you have confided them?"

The newspaper man was obdurate.

"You will be distinguished in a few minutes," he said. "I'm going to set my alarm clock so I can wake up at the proper moment and see the fun. No, I'll not write for the books. I've already sold part of them. The check will reach you in a few days. And you must be about those illustrations of current happenings. When they want a thing on paper, they want it. They don't care to wait."

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...istian race: both on the nature and ...essity of it. "Lay aside every weight and the sins which do so easily ...t us." Here is the training: Put ... disencumber; guard against the ...s of this world and the deceitful ... of riches. The race is to ... run light. Especially must be ...ting sin be laid aside. Generally ...ere is one weak point in every man. Achilles, the Grecian hero, was vulnerable in the heel; the hero of the ...man Iliad, between the shoulders; ...d the stone from David's sling found ...e unprotected spot on the forehead of the Philistine giant, Goliath. Many a man of splendid gifts and of golden opportunity has failed because of one weakness or sin. Against this our own great fault, set the guard, and with decision and courage resist. "God helps them who help themselves." We are in no condition to run this race unless at least we ...purpose self-mastery.

2. An athletic trait—patience. This grace constitutes one of the highest virtues of life. Men are to be strong in faith and patience. The ideas of self-possession and endurance are embodied in the word. It is disconcerting to many an athlete to observe the tactics of his competitor. He forgets himself, and loses his judgment; self-confidence is gone, and, becoming confused, he fails. Nothing is better for such a time than knowledge of one's own powers and confidence in one's own methods. Then can he who runs make the most of himself. Do not study by too close scrutiny of others ...asking "What shall this man do?" forgetful of their place and ignoring their own powers, become disconcerted and fall ingloriously? "Whatever you be, be yourself," is sage counsel of which, perhaps, we all stand in need.

It is easy to run well for a time. Sustained effort is required, however, whenever anything worthy and lasting is to be accomplished. "He that endureth to the end shall be saved." It is easy to run well when the way is smooth. A man is better tried when men and things are against him. This race is run in the face of difficulty, loss and danger. Be patient, therefore. "So run that ye may obtain." Consider Christ. Did He falter? Sore was His lot, disciples deserted, enemies opposed, friends betrayed Him, the shadow of the cross lay ...over His life, and its bitter pains were experienced, yet He endured. "Consider Him," says the writer, "lest ye be weary and faint in your minds." We are made partakers of Christ if we hold the beginning of our confidence steadfast unto the end. ...you hold on five minutes longer ...the captain of the burning steamer ...the pilot. "By God's help I ...he replied. "Can we hold on ...minutes, months, years, through ...pointment and pain, desertion ...sickness and sorrow, can we ...? ...we shall be saved and ...

...ceive. There is a prize ...who win. The victors in the ...of classic days were crowned ...wn of olive was placed upon ...brow of the champion. A fading ...wa it was indeed; the thing itself ...the memory thereof would soon ...some. "This before us is an enlar...prize, a crown of life which fadeth ...away, incorruptible. The reward ...those who run to victory in life's ...s inviting. It should stimulate ...termined and persistent exertion, ...however, in the form of incentive ...mentioned. Here is the great ...mpany of witnesses by which the ...thor of this letter says they to ...whom he writes were encompassed. ...spectators these, who by their

...I had not used the pills long before there was a decided relief, more in fact than I had obtained from any other medicine. I continued their use and soon all symptoms of the trouble that had made my life one of much misery for many years was gone. I feel that I am cured, and have no hesitation in saying that the cure is due to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and I never lose an opportunity of recommending the pills to neighbors who may be ailing.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills cure by going to the root of the disease. They renew and build up the blood, and strengthen the nerves, thus driving disease from the system. If your dealer does not keep them, they will be sent postpaid at 50 cents a box or six boxes for $2.50, by addressing the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

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It was dull in America. Well, New York wasn't so bad perhaps, but the other towns—bah! There wasn't a true city among them. It didn't count for a man to be anybody. No one paid any attention to Max because he was a fiddler. It made him bitter. He had a little summer house built in the yard back of the house where they lived and smoked his pipe there and dreamed of Berlin. Also he planted some flowers and some little trees. He liked those and paid much attention to them. He studied a great deal—military tactics and botany. But he neglected to provide the daily bread. No one could blame him for it. It was an oversight on his part. His wife taught music. She gave private lessons and class lessons, and she sometimes performed at concerts. Her peculiar treatment of the "Fifth Symphony" did not militate against her in America.

In course of the long and busy years four children were born to the Hertzers, but still the burden of the bread winning devolved upon madam. She never complained. It was the greatest pleasure in the world for her to return home and find the baron sitting there. She never saw a man so handsome. And he was always kind. Sometimes he found odd jobs to do—bookkeeping or work in a railroad office or book criticism. He was willing but not eager to work. Time was apt to hang heavily on his hands. And so it became his habit to amuse himself in a peculiar way—namely, by the making of little black devils. He made them on anything that chanced to be handy—an envelope, a scrap of paper, a playing card or a book margin. He represented them in every imaginable antic. He gave them a thousand subtle individualities. His mind appeared to be beset by them. Many of his acquaintances had wondered in the course of their intercourse with him what it was that filled that large, handsome head. Now they seemed to be finding out. The little inky imps trooped out of his cranium in such numbers that they threatened to leave it quite void and empty.

The children were growing up, and children cannot do that, no matter how unobtrusive they endeavor to be, without costing some one something. These children developed talents, and in a utilitarian age talents cannot be allowed to go to waste. Madam Hertzer considered it incumbent upon her to see that one studied dramatic expression and another the violin and another wood carving and another modeling in clay, besides all of the regulation studies. She brought a great circle of friends about her, who adored her bohemian evenings and who considered the baron one of the most interesting gentlemen they had ever met.

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A Gentle Rebuke.

In the center of a popular coffee house main room in Italy was a large marble slab, which covered the pipes that heated the place, and the tables were arranged around this.

There was always fine music there in the evening, made by a man and his wife. She played on a stringed instrument, and after several selections, she carried around a little filigree silver basket, in which she collected coins from the guests.

One night, as the music began, a man seated at one of the tables held up a gold coin. The woman smiled, and the man dropped it on the marble slab that covered the hot pipes. When she made her collection, she went last for the gold coin, but as she picked it up, she gave a cry and dropped it again, for it had become heated on the slab. The husband glared at the man, but did not say a word.

The next evening, when the musicians appeared, the woman's hand was bandaged, and she had some difficulty in managing her instrument. When she made her collection, she avoided the man who had played the practical joke on her, and night after night she did the same thing. In vain he offered her apologies, and other coins, but she merely bowed and smiled in passing him, and never allowed him to give her the slightest donation.

Mr. Beecher's Sarcasm Was Effective.

In the Plymouth congregation there was at one time a woman who was a thorn in the flesh. She had a harsh voice and a stiff manner of speaking. Her long drawn out, dull discourses wearied the congregation. But Mr. Beecher was patient. At last he, too, reached the limit of endurance, and one evening when she sat down, after talking nearly half an hour, he arose, and in his deep tones said slowly, "Nevertheless, I still believe in women speaking in meeting." She spoke no more.—Ladies' Home Journal.

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CIVIC HOLIDAY.

The Mayor Has Proclaimed a Holiday for Friday Next.

Friday next will be Rat Portage's civic holiday. Mr. Gooding, the C.P.R. agent, has been able to secure a cheap rate for a big excursion to Winnipeg, and arrangements are being completed. Besides having an opportunity of visiting the Winnipeg exhibition the excursionists will see the big regatta given under the direction of the Winnipeg Rowing Club. Several crews from the Rat Portage Rowing Club will take part in the [illegible] which promises to be very exciting, the Winnipegs are anxious to [illegible] the prestige lost here on Dominion day. The train leaves here at [illegible] returning will leave Winnipeg [illegible] the evening, giving an opportunity [illegible] witness the fireworks after the [illegible] round trip rate has been placed [illegible] This rate has been secured [illegible] through the efforts of Mr. [illegible] the popular C.P.R. agent, who [illegible] ways of the service of the patrons [illegible] the road.

The Club Regatta.

Last Friday afternoon the rowing club gave the regatta in which four crews participated. In the first race between Phillips and Langford the former led till about 100 yards from the finish when Phillips bowman seemed to break the spring to his back and spoiled the chance of winning by fouling Langford's boat. Godwin and Link tried condiasions, and Link four started out well. On the home stretch, however, Link's rudder chain seemed to have an extra link on one side, for they kept away from the course and nearly ran into a sail boat anchored some distance out of the way. While this was happening Godwin went over the line. Schlarre pulled away from Moran in the fastest time ever made on the course. In the next race Chesterton led Emmons by about half a length. In the semi-

corporation bears the title Minnesota and International Railway company. President Chas. S. Mellen, of the Northern Pacific, is the most prominent of the incorporators, and the others are H. A. Fabian, private secretary to the coast line executive; P. W. Corbett, assistant secretary of that road; Emerson Hadley, at present in its legal department, and formerly general counsel of the St. Paul & Duluth, and Chas. W. Bunn, general counsel.

The five incorporators form the first board of directors, and the incorporation is for a period of 50 years. The annual meeting of the new road will occur on the second Tuesday of October each year. The capital stock of the company is $1000[illegible] divided into 1,000 shares of $100 each.

The new railroad will be a measure form a continuation of the Brainerd & Northern Minnesota, which is under Northern Pacific control.

Bemidji is the northern terminus of this line, and the new road will form a new route under Northern Pacific control from the coast to the international boundary. The corporation of the line under Northern Pacific control is said to have a bearing upon Canadian activity looking towards a New East and West line south of the boundary, to tap the Rainy lake mining region and the agricultural section southeast of Winnipeg in Manitoba.

Camping Pastimes.

A most enjoyable [illegible] party was given Tuesday evening at Mr. Gilmour's cottage on Grassy island by Miss Alice Gilmour [illegible] of her guest, Miss Cobb, of Winnipeg. The greater part of the evening, which was an ideal one, was spent on the lake in canoes, after which refreshments and music were in order. The point glow from the bonfire lanterns and the blaze of a large bonfire which greeted the returning guests enhanced the picturesque effect on the camp, which looked like a corner of fairyland. Among the guests were the Misses Fortin, Gordon, Lane, McKelvey, Head, Mather and Manning and Messrs. Drewry, Fortin, Bowman, Draper, Baker, Dr. Liddy, [illegible] and many others.

Shooting Affair Near Oxdrift.

Last Saturday afternoon [illegible] French who lives between Oxdrift and Eagle River was [illegible] by his partner Clark, the bullet passing through the fleshy part of his thigh.

The quarrel started with a dispute over a game of cribbage and French states that Clark attacked him on the occasion, and he defended himself with a pitchfork, wounding Clark [illegible] fatally.

PROSPECTS ARE BRIGHT.

Conditions Never Better for the Monster Winnipeg Exhibition.

The management of the Winnipeg Industrial Exhibition association has never worked under as favorable conditions as far as exhibits are concerned as they do this year. Scores of applications for space from prospective exhibitors all over Canada and the United States are pouring into the offices of the association each mail, and indications point to a record breaking year in this respect at least. This fact is due largely to the arrangements offered by the railroads to ship all exhibits free both ways and back to points of distribution from all points in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories. This reduces the exhibitors' expenses down to a very small figure.

Rumohr in New York.

J. A. Rumohr, the champion amateur sculler, formerly of Rat Portage, but now of the Harlem rowing club, New York, is having some difficulty in being entered in the N.A.A.O. races this year. An investigation will be made pending acceptance. A writer in the New York Sun says this course was made necessary by the action of the Canadian A.A.O., which refused Rumohr entry for the regatta held at Toronto July 2, and declined to give the Harlem R.C. any reason for doing so. The official stated, however, that they would submit their objections to the N.A.A.O. at the proper time. The Harlem R.C. courts an enquiry in the matter, and the members are pleased that it will take place before the inquiry committee of the N.A.A.O. It [illegible] that the action of the [illegible] due to the jealousy and [illegible] rowing club, which [illegible] Rumohr [illegible] member [illegible] New York [illegible] hope [illegible] will be able to clear himself [illegible] preferred by the [illegible] He has made [illegible] taking up his residence [illegible] considered by some [illegible] a chance to lower the [illegible] C. H. Ten Eyck. Rumohr [illegible] singles in the National [illegible] and last spring defeated [illegible] the Philadelphia sculler [illegible] Passaic regatta. Owing to [illegible] of the Harlem man, [illegible] and the fact [illegible] on July 4, [illegible] Carstens are unit in the [illegible] Rumohr will [illegible] favorite to win in the [illegible]

Provincial C. E. Budget.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given of the sitting of the Court of Revision at the Town Hall, Rat Portage, on Saturday, July 28th, A. D. 1900, at the hour of three o'clock in the afternoon, for the hearing of appeals pursuant to the Statute in that behalf respecting the proposed Sidewalks on Julia Street, [illegible] Street, Savage Street [illegible] special assessment of the said Street upon the Lots immediately fronting thereon, to the extent [illegible] in the Town Engineer's report dated the 20th day of July, 1900.

The amount [illegible] assessed [illegible] is $115.10 payable on the [illegible] installments [illegible] with interest at the rate of Five [illegible] per annum and [illegible] the payment of the principal and [illegible] land proposed to be [illegible] and thereto [illegible]

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The races were very exciting and would have attracted a large crowd had there been good weather. One or two of the races were rowed in a drenching rain. It is expected that the club will have a regatta every two weeks. The boys are ordering large clothes to hold their muscle, so it is anticipated that the next regatta will be particularly destructive to those tough things known as records. The boys are going to Winnipeg on the 28th, and will endeavor very hard not to bring back a blank.

F. H. Campbell said that when the boats were steering for the sail boat that Stone's boathouse shook until the danger was averted.

The Golden Star.

Globe: President W[illegible] den Star again, d[illegible] which were in cir[illegible] circles yesterday reg[illegible] perty. It seems that [illegible] was started to the effect that the [illegible] recently given by the company [illegible] stamp mill has been cancelled. This is incorrect. The mill was ordered for immediate delivery, but owing to the low water at Bad Vermilion Lake it will be impossible to use it at present. The directors therefore asked the contractor to delay delivery of the mill until the water rose to such a height as to permit of it being used. This will doubtless mean that the mill will not be delivered for several weeks. But the order has not been cancelled. Mr. Wood did not consider the other rumors about the mine worthy of any attention.

RAILWAY FROM THE SOUTH

A Line to be Constructed from Bemidji, Minn. to a Point on Rainy Lake.

Minneapolis Tribune: Articles of incorporation of a new railroad company, which is to construct a road from Bemidji, on the line of the Great Northern railway in Beltrami county, northeast to a point on the international boundary at Rainy lake, were filed with the secretary of state yesterday.

The incorporators are officials of the Northern Pacific railway, and the new

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The next morning while French was feeding his horses Clark came into the stable and, shutting the door behind him, drew a revolver and fired twice at French, the first cartridge snapping and the second shot hitting him in the leg. Then Clark apparently got alarmed and ran for assistance, and the wounded man was taken to Dryden where the wound, which is not dangerous, was dressed by the doctor. Clark followed and gave himself up and was taken by Saturday night's express to Rat Portage to [illegible].—Wabigoon Star.

CHINA TO TACKLE THE WORLD.

A Condition of War May Be Recognized Between China and the World.

London, July [illegible].—The action of Count Von Bülow, the German minister of foreign affairs, in informing the Chinese [illegible] at Berlin that all telegraphic [illegible] must be in plain language and submitted for approval by the censor, and the suggestion of M. Delcasse, the French minister of foreign affairs, that the exportation of arms to China be prohibited, which are generally regarded here as long steps in the direction of treating China as a state engaged in war, have been supplemented by the official announcement from St. Petersburg that certain portions of the Amur territory, including parts of the Khabarovski district and the coast territory, as well as the towns of Blagovestchensk, Khabarovski and Nikolskussuri, have been declared in state of war since July 17. The Russian announcement is regarded in London as at least foreshadowing a speedy unconditional recognition of the fact that a condition of war exists between China and the civilized world, and the general opinion seems to favor such a recognition as the best means of meeting the barbarian upheaval, while at the same time endeavoring to isolate the independent viceroys from the general conflagration. The revelation of the ability of the Chinese forces in the north to stand their ground against the internationals is producing the inevitable results in the south. At Shanghai it is announced officially that foreign women and children have been requested to leave the posts along the river.

The estimated cost of a deep water way through the state of New York is $200,000,000—but the New York Herald thinks that with politicians' fees, etc., the cost would swell to $400,000,000 before the job was finished.

Juvenal turned the tables on July 4, but local oarsmen are a unit in the belief that Rumohr will at least defeat Juvenal if allowed to row in the National.

Provincial C. E. Budget.

The Christian Endeavor in London [illegible] has become a thing of the past, a memory, but no doubt to the [illegible] who crowded the tents and halls [illegible] a very precious memory. Some of the foremost men of the world addressed it, [illegible] with such a movement. Nothing like it [illegible] ever [illegible] in the world before. And [illegible] the church of Christ [illegible] will receive its chief hope and [illegible] and [illegible] our fervent prayer [illegible] Christian endeavor, [illegible] be guided by the wisdom, and chastened by the [illegible] and watched over by the [illegible] the best men in the church."

How many crossed the ocean to attend the C. E. convention at London [illegible] been stated officially, [illegible] Endeavorers did. This was in the chartered vessels. But no doubt many went in other vessels.

Dr. Maclaren, of Manchester, was unable to be present, but sent a beautiful and loving message to the convention which has been published in the British Weekly. We quote a sentence or two from it: "I rejoice in the great good your societies have effected, and believe that rightly worked they may be still more useful. I trust that in your convention emphasis may be laid on the necessity of systematic and intelligent study of Scripture." . . . I can only repeat my expression of most hearty sympathy and my earnest wish that your great convocation may be largely blessed.'

We expect Mr. Sheldon, author of "In His Steps," at our provincial convention at Guelph in October. Who is to be the delegate of your society. Mr. Doherty, treasurer of the provincial convention, Hensall, Ont., would like to hear from every society in regard to its annual contribution. Our exchequer suffered last year on account of the meeting of the Dominion convention at Montreal.—Dr. Dickson, Galt, Editor.

Foresters' Excursion.

The Forester's excursion to Carmichael beach last night with the steamer Shamrock was a highly successful affair. The Keewatin band accompanied the large crowd of excursionists and furnished music at intervals. An orchestra also furnished music for dancing on the barge. All who went report a most enjoyable time.

The proceedings of the Worlds Convention of Christian Endeavorers was opened in London, Eng. by two immense meetings one in Albert Hall, and the other in Alexandra Palace.

[illegible] ment of the cost thereof upon the lands immediately benefitted pursuant to the report of the Town Engineer dated the 20th day of June, 1900.

The estimated cost of said improvement is $415.10, payable in five equal annual instalments sufficient to cover interest at the rate of Five per cent. per annum and a sinking fund for the payment of the principal sum, and the lands proposed to be specially assessed therefor consist of Lot No. 1 in Block A, Blocks B, C, D, and Lots 161, 162, and 163 on Lake front.

Dated at Rat Portage this 17th day of July, A. D. 1900.

D. H. CURRIE,
Town Clerk.

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MORTGAGE SALE.

UNDER and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage which will be produced at the time of sale there will be sold by public auction at the Hilliard House in the Town of Rat Portage by Howard Barnes, auctioneer, on Saturday the 18th day of August, A.D. 1900, at 12 o'clock noon the following valuable dwelling house property, namely:—

Lot Number One Hundred and Forty-Two (142) in Block Two (2) according to Plan of said Town, certified by J. W. Harris, P.L.S., filed in the Registry Office at Rat Portage.

Upon the said premises is erected a two storey frame dwelling house 26 feet by 30 feet with stone basement and furnace, all in good repair.

The said property will be sold subject to a mortgage to the Globe Savings and Loan Company of Toronto, upon which there is now due and owing about $[illegible].

TERMS: 10 per cent. of the purchase money at the time of sale and the balance in thirty days thereafter.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to

ALLAN McLENNAN,
Barrister, &c., Rat Portage,
Solicitor for the Vendor.

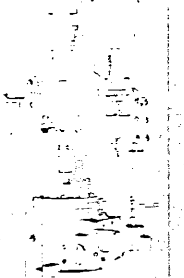
Dated at Rat Portage, the 16th day of July, A. D. 1900. 49-41

NOTICE.

Windsor, Ont., July 13, 1900.

A Special General Meeting of the Shareholders of The Gold Sun Mining Company, Limited, (No Personal Liability), will be held at the office of the Company, corner Ouelette ave. and Sandwich st. West, in the city of Windsor, county of Essex and province of Ontario, on Tuesday, July 31st, 1900, at 5 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of receiving the report of the directors for the past year, to elect directors for the ensuing year, purchasing the interest of A. A. Atwater in mining claims RJ52, JC81, JC97, at Crow lake, and the south 80 acres of claim JES43, near Ptarmigan bay, Lake of the Woods, all of said claims being in the Rainy River district, in the province of Ontario, for 80,000 paid up and non-assessable shares of said Company in pursuance of a certain contract made March 7, 1900, and passing a by-law fixing the terms and conditions of said issue of said stock, approving said contract, and for the purpose of transacting such other business as may lawfully come before it.

THE GOLD SUN MINING CO., LIMITED,
(NO PERSONAL LIABILITY).
By G. A. KAERCHER,
Secretary.



You are Talked About

Mrs. E. Connell left on yesterday morning's limited for Selkirk, Man., where she will visit her parents for a couple of weeks.

R. Thompson has been laid up for some days with a trouble in one of his legs, but is again able to be about and attend to his duties.

Rev. Rochester exchanged pulpits last Sunday with Rev. Duval, of Winnipeg.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Doris are at the Hilliard.

Mr. and Mrs. Klakow, of Minneapolis, have been in town for the past few days.

Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Hall are guests at the Hilliard House.

Williams' Employment Agency, Fort street.

Dr. Shave, Williams' barber shop, Fort street.

A. S. Cuthbert made a business trip to the Sultana mine this week.

J. W. Humble has returned from his eastern trip.

A. H. Crawford, court stenographer, of Toronto, is in town, the guest of F. A. Campbell.

H. J. F. Sissons, barrister, of Fort Frances, is in town.

Pelletier, the originator of the Bear's Paw Rolls in the Rainy Lake Herald, is in town this week taking a national office.

[illegible] in on the [illegible] morning.

[illegible] Mrs. [illegible]

[illegible] Mrs. [illegible]

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R. R. [illegible], former purser of the Keewatin, went up the river on the last trip of the boat. The genial Bob now holds a position in Detroit, Mich., and looks as fat as ever, but he can't stay away from Rat Portage.

[illegible] A. Davidson, of Dayton, O., motored to Mine Centre this week in the Keewatin.

[illegible] Frobert and wife of St. Paul, made a trip across the lake and up the range this week. They report a very enjoyable time.

[illegible] of the Rand Drill and [illegible] Co., has returned home [illegible]

[illegible] left by the Keewatin [illegible] two points.

[illegible] arrangements to his room [illegible]

[illegible] Nova Scotia, has [illegible] Mrs. R. [illegible]

[illegible] Mrs. A. [illegible]

[illegible] Mawson, M. A. [illegible]

visit the extensive works of the Dominion iron and steel Co. and also the various collieries. A visit will also be paid to Halifax and the gold mines at Waverly. The excursionists will then make a trip to St. John's, Newfoundland and the big Wabana iron mines on Conception Bay.

Manager Reynolds, of the Nino mine, was made happy by the arrival of his wife and brother from St. Catherines yesterday. They will reside on North Main street.

The cage which is being installed at the Big Master mine is a safety cage such as is required by law to be used in most mining countries. Should the cable break the cage is automatically locked and held fast immediately the breakage occurs.—Wabigoon Star.

THE NEWS FROM NORMAN.

Mr. J. Redpath is busy painting his house.

Last Tuesday Mr. Robertson fell and broke his arm. On account of his old age the accident is very serious. At present he is very ill.

The boys are expected down this week, so that No. 4 mill will start up again Monday. The heavy rains have raised the lake so that the logs can be brought down much more easier.

The Presbyterian Sabbath school [illegible] examinations were held in the public school Wednesday [illegible]

[illegible] inspection of weights and scales over on Wednesday [illegible]

[illegible] a crowd of people took advantage of the reduced fare [illegible] Winnipeg on July 12th.

[illegible] planer did not run Tuesday on account of so many going to Winnipeg.

E. G. Hipwell the representative of Long M. F. G. Co. of N. Amerika was visitor on Thursday.

People look round at a [illegible] lot of men on the street, so rare has [illegible] beautiful ornament become at the present day. Why is this? It certainly is not the [illegible] Parisian [illegible] Hair Renewer, which is an elegant [illegible] remedy against premature gray [illegible] 50 cents a bottle.

GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S VISIT.

Lord Minto Will Arrive in Rat Portage Tomorrow Morning.

Lord Minto, Governor General of Canada, who is taking a trip to Western and the coast, will arrive at Rat Portage on the Imperial limited tomorrow morning and remain in town until 3 o'clock in the afternoon, when the governor and party will leave on a special train for Winnipeg. We

Dr. Cameron's Lecture.

The lecture in the Baptist Tabernacle Tuesday evening by Rev. Dr. Cameron, of Ottawa, was not very largely attended. The subject "The Boer War," was an attractive one at this time, and was handled in a fair manner by the rev. gentleman, though at times he seemed to lose the connecting points of his description, and get geography and details mixed. He seemed also to forget that there were any Englishmen or Irishmen in the British ranks in South Africa.

Notwithstanding his skepticism regarding the French-Canadians we find in the list of the dead a number of that race, and the man who has done the most effectual service on Lord Kitchener's engineering staff is a French-Canadian.

The views presented of the different events in South Africa have never been surpassed here and delighted the whole audience.

The C.P.R., which has been in communication with the officials of the British admiralty with regard to the carrying of forces across the continent for service in China, has sent a reply to the effect that it will be prepared to handle all the men whom Great Britain cares to send along.

On Reading Aloud.

It is a distinct loss that reading is so badly taught and that so few people know anything about the magic of the poets in their use of sound. We read almost exclusively with the eye, although poetry is primarily intended for the ear. Shakespeare wrote almost exclusively for the ear, and we remain unmoved by the wonderful vibration of his great passages until we hear them.

Poetry ought always to be heard first and read afterward. If the best of Browning [illegible] apathetically and intelligently interpreted by the voice, the much [illegible] obscurity is not in evidence. Many people find, for instance, a little difficulty in getting the clear and full significance of "The Portrait of the Last Duchess" when they read it for the first time, but it fastens itself instantly on the imagination if it is well [illegible]

A good [illegible] now devoted to [illegible] text study might [illegible] to reading the text aloud without note or comment. A work of art slowly discloses its full [illegible] and familiarity with it is the [illegible] of apprehension.—Harrison Mayor in Harper's Bazar.

London Bakers, 1210.

In 1210 we find the following: Bow [illegible] leaves deficient a weight; Sarra [illegible] Christian Terrace, Gunnora Fetling, Matilda de Robarstone, Christina Prestat, Isabella Sacrist, Alice [illegible] Isabella Pentecost, Cecilia [illegible] with the [illegible] were not suspected. In a similar case in 1210 when Agnes

Honey For Scholars.

"Honey and bread was a great meat with Pythagoras and his scholars and counted a sufficient food for a temperate life," wrote Dr. Thomas Muffett in 1575, "for bread strengthens the body, and honey both nourishes much and also cleanseth away superfluities.

"Pollo Romulus being asked by Augustus, the emperor, how he lived so long! By nourishing (saith he) my inwards with honey and my outward parts with ayle. The like answer likewise made Democritus, being demanded the like question. Furthermore, it is so general a meat through Russia that the children eat it on their bread every morning as ours do butter to their breakfast; with whom and with old men it agreeth exceeding well, cleansing their breasts, opening their pipes, warming their stomachs, resisting putrefaction and engendering sweet and commendable blood. Raw honey is never good, therefore clarify it thoroughly at the fire; also let it be honey that ran and was never puffed out of the combs and of young bees rather than old, feeding upon thime, rosemary, flowers and such sweet and wholesome herbs. Then may you boldly give it as meat to young children, to cold and moist complexions and to rheumatic old men, especially in northern countries and cold climates and in the winter months."

Strange Affair.

"It is shameful the way Marmaduke McCorker has treated Miss Fitzperkins."

"What did he do?"

"Oh, he stimulated her to improve her mind and then broke the engagement on the ground that he was afraid to marry a woman who knew so much."

Murphy left for the Keewatin Lake Rainy Lake [illegible] camps.

[illegible] Scotia, has [illegible] Mac R.

[illegible] Spring, Brandon [illegible] M. A. C. [illegible] Graham, [illegible] Mowat, Miss J. [illegible] There were [illegible] trip. [illegible] Premier [illegible] Ontario [illegible] Wade and was [illegible] Wednesday [illegible] Winnipeg [illegible] Rat Portage [illegible]

Mining Public

Death Of Jack Scovil.

[illegible] death occurred [illegible] Jack Scovil in a pool [illegible] dressing engineer W. [illegible] when [illegible] supposed [illegible] children [illegible] for the setting [illegible] returned [illegible] Jack was playing in the yard Wednesday morning when he fell and broke his arm in two places. The injured arm was being [illegible] by his father and Dr. Gunne, when the shock proved too much for the little fellow. Dr. Laidlaw was also called in and every effort was made by the three doctors to revive the unfortunate boy. Jack was a manly little fellow, who made friends, was a leader and popular with other boys. His death has caused the keenest regret and the sympathy of all goes out to the bereaved parents, sister and brother. The funeral this afternoon was very largely attended.

Business Picking Up.

Capt. Thompson reports that the river traffic is constantly increasing. The Maple Leaf is now running regularly between Fort Frances and Baudette ville and the captain expects that the Keewatin will shortly be able to make the through trip between Fort Frances and Rat Portage. The boom is rapidly filling with logs and more are coming down the river. Trade is beginning to look up and the farmers expect to get good harvest, so that the outlook is encouraging. The Rat Portage Lumber Co.'s mills are now running again and it makes matters much better in town than they have been for the past month.

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Birds and "Old" Coins.

A French physician lately had an opportunity to observe a pointe de Paris which had been lying for several days in the stomach of a child and found that the gastric juice had acted upon the smallest particles of the article, blanking the blade and point and giving the medal a brown color. In this manner might be explained the process used in Italy to produce old coins and medals. Large birds are made to swallow roughly stamped coins with the image of Tiberius or Caligula. After awhile the animals give off again the coins, upon which meanwhile an appreciable layer of patina has formed. This result is apparently due to the action of the gastric juices.—Jeweler's Circular-Weekly.

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"What is your favorite opera?" asked the foreign gentleman.

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"No, indeed," replied the dominie, "but I do not think that I err on the side of improbability when I teach them that each has a good chance of being a presidential possibility."—Harper's Bazar.

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Plodder (at 6 a. m.)—Hello, Rounder! What are you doing up so early?

Rounder—Hello, old fel! What are you doing out so late?—Philadelphia Record.

first condition of comprehension—Hamilton Mabie in Harper's Bazar.

London Bakers, 1310.

In 1319 we find the following Bow bakeresses accused of selling halfpenny loaves deficient in weight: Sarra Feting, Christina Terrice, Godiyeva Feting, Matilda de Bolingtone, Christina Prichet, Isabella Sperling, Alice Perges, Johanna de Cuntebrigge and Isabella Pouveste. One wonders why the husbands were not summoned. In a similar case in 1346, when Agnes Feting's bread was seized, it was "adjudged that her bread should be forfeited and given to the prisoners in Newgate because her husband did not come to avow (own) the bread." Are we to assume that in the absence of the husbands the bread was merely forfeited without the infliction of a fine?

An indication of the importance of the breadmaking business is also found in an enactment of the reign of Henry III to the effect that "every cart of Breakbile (Bromley-by-Bow) or Stevenlothe (Stepney) that comes into the city with bread shall pay each day a halfpenny."—Gentleman's Magazine.

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Popular Wants.

FOR SALE—House and Lot fronting Julius St., between 5th and 6th Sts. Also Household goods including 1 Cook Stove, 1 American Heater (new), 1 Sideboard, 1 Walnut Dining Table, etc. Apply to L. W. McNab, on the premises. 49-tf

LOST.—$11 in bills—two fives and a one—between the post office and the barber shop, Norman, on Monday forenoon. A reward of $5 will be paid finder on returning same to owner, Jos. Gauthier.

OFFICES to Let, furnished and unfurnished. Apply Rat Portage Cold Storage Company, Ltd., Vercker Block. 49-tf

TO LET—Houses and Offices, and Rooms in Clougher Block. C. W. Chadwick. 41tf

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FOR SALE—Dwelling Houses, Town Lots, Islands and Mining Locations. Insurance in all its branches. C. W. Chadwick, Clougher Block.

TO LET—South and middle stores in the Scovil Block from September 1, 1900. Apply to C. W. Chadwick, Clougher Block.

FARM FOR SALE, 172 acres, deeded property, situated on banks of Rainy river, 40 acres under cultivation good house and barn. Price $800. Geo. Walker, Boucherville, Ont. tt

A DESIRABLE Residence for sale, being a 2-story brick dwelling, 18x30, and rough cast addition 12x24, containing seven rooms, situated on Lot 33, block 5, north side of East Fort Street, Rat Portage. Most satisfactory terms given. For full particulars, apply to A. M. Rose, Matheson St., Rat Portage.

FOR SALE - A lot of splendid Baxtien Boats, in good condition. I have either to give up my position on the C.P.R. or the boating business. I have decided to stick to the C.P.R. J. R. Bunn, manager of the Hudson's Bay store has kindly consented to sell the boats for me, so intending purchasers will do well to see Mr. Bunn before purchasing elsewhere. L. L. McPHAIL, Proprietor. 30 tf.

CONDENSED NEWS.

Items of General Interest to Our Readers From All Parts of the World.

Three weeks ago Jacob C. Meinzer saw his wife's coffin lowered into a grave in the Lutheran cemetery, New York. "I shall not be separated long from you, my darling. I cannot bear the separation," were Meinzer's words as the earth fell upon the coffin. On Tuesday he was found dead in his home, owing to excessive grief, the doctors say.

The Bell Island strikers have succeeded in preventing schooners from unloading coal, and the mine managers have appealed to the Supreme Court.

"More soldiers," is the demand which is coming to General MacArthur from every department of the Phillipine islands. Recent events have worked to vindicate Gen. Lawton's judgment that 100,000 troops would be needed to establish American sovereignty over the Filipinos.

It is said an English syndicate with $3,000,000 capital may start huge iron works in Kingston.

The Grand Trunk has made a new running record between Toronto and Montreal, the distance, 333 miles, being covered in 6 hours 50 min by the second section of the Chicago express.

W. H. Cartram, a prominent London barrister, was committed for trial on Tuesday on a charge of assaulting Robert McGarry, a 16-year-old boy whom he chastised with a cane for impertinence.

Rev. Hugh Mowat, for 43 years professor of Hebrew and Chaldee, Queen's college died at Kingston Sunday from the effects of a recent operation. He was 75 years old, and a younger brother of Sir Oliver, lieutenant-governor of Ontario.

James H. Swick, an old farmer aged 70 years, living at East Seneca, near Cayuga, Ont., nine miles out, beat his wife to death with a hammer, Saturday and then killed himself with a shotgun. A son who lived with them found them in the condition. The old man had been weak in the head for some time.

The widow of the late Pascal Gagne of Hull, a fireman who was electrocuted last week, has entered suit against the Hull Electric Co. for $5,000 damages.

Workmen testing a telescope in Rochester, N.Y., saw a thief steal a crock of butter a mile distant and caused his arrest.

The King's Daughters of Freehold, N.J., have hit upon an original plan to raise money for a public library, by collecting all the old rubber shoes and hose to sell for junk at 7 cents a pound.

Provincial Detective Rodgers is touring Eastern Ontario and is rounding up all the tramps he runs across. The detective is acting under instructions from the Ontario Government.

Mr. R. C. Forsyth, [illegible] fell off a load of hay and [illegible] and was killed.

Rufus Milner of Chi[illegible] has been sentenced to four years [illegible] for arson.

Knox Church, [illegible], was struck by lightning, [illegible] considerably did little damage.

J. A. Moore, [illegible] County Clerk for the past [illegible] years in Winnipeg, is dead.

At the risk of being [illegible] to pieces Charles Kastenbach [illegible] a tank containing five hundred [illegible] gallons of ammonia on Tuesday afternoon, at the Columbia Storage Warehouse, New York, which had caught fire.

Joseph O'Neal of Birmingham, Ala., fell in love with Mrs. Bella Jenkins a widow, with two small children. Deeming the children to be a nuisance, he drowned them in a near by stream.

By making 37 knots over a measured mile the turbine torpedo boat Viper built for the British navy, has broken all records.

A white marble tablet has been placed in All Saints' church, Winnipeg, in memory of Major Arnold, who was killed at Paardeberg.

J. McNeil, of Hamilton, who was fatally injured some days ago while drinking with a crowd in the north end of that city, died of lockjaw at the hospital.

A riot occurred at Belfast, when a party of Nationalists tried to demolish the Orange triumphal arch. The attempt was followed by a fight, in the course of which women tore up paving stones and handed them to the combatants.

A posse of officers captured Frank Beaumont, a desperate criminal known as "Red Ned," on Friday at a fishing shack on the shore of the St. Lawrence near Ogdensburg. Beaumont was released from Dannemora prison in June, having served [illegible] for horse stealing and [illegible]. He went to Ottawa, where he tapped Oscar Gallagher [illegible] age, and went to his [illegible] Beaumont threatened to kill [illegible] if he told his story to any person. He attempted to escape. Gallagher was recognized from newspaper descriptions, and the arrest followed.

Dr. Elliott, who has recently been investigating the outbreak of diphtheria among the Mennonites, has reported to the Manitoba provincial health officer that he has discovered not less than 13 deaths due to diphtheria within the past fortnight. The disease is of a most virulent type, and has been concealed by the people, who regard it with indifference.

J. L. Bell, assistant gold commis-

Cattleman or Gambler.

"One day last fall," said a well known Montana capitalist, "I was riding on a train in my state and got to be on pretty fair terms with the train boy by buying a few of the things he had to sell. It was not a very formal kind of a train, and when the boy had finished his rounds he came over to sit with me and 'chin a bit,' as he said. I was willing enough, as he was a sharp lad and there was nobody else to talk to, and he went right at things.

"'You may know,' he said, 'that I can tell by looking at a man mighty near what he is. Now, there's that fellow over there in the corner; he's a Chicago drummer. I can tell him by the way he lets his money go and the flip style he has when he talks to people. And that chap over there with the silk hat on, he's a preacher from a country town. I'm dead sure, and I'll go ask him if you say so.'

"I didn't say so because I didn't care a continental, and the boy went on with his descriptions of the people on the train. At last I asked him what he thought I was. I had on a pretty flashy suit of light stuff and was thinking I was looking pretty well, so I was willing to risk the boy's venture. He looked me over for a full minute very carefully.

"'Well,' he said at last, 'you've got a sloo of money, but I ain't dead sure whether you are a cattleman or a gambler.'"

The Center of the Earth.

Of late years the general view has been that the interior of the globe, though partly liquid, is for the most part solid. Some have considered that a section through the earth would show the following:

(1) An outer solid envelope, (2) a semifluid envelope, (3) a fluid envelope, (4) a smelfluid envelope, (5) a solid nucleus. No. 1 results from a reduced temperature only. No. 2 from a pressure and temperature not quite sufficient for liquidation. No. 3 from a temperature sufficiently high to produce complete liquidation. No. 4 from a pressure so great as to prevent even the most refractory which most certainly exists [illegible] down in the earth from [illegible] the material on [illegible] No. 5 from a pressure [illegible] completely the [illegible] even of the maximum [illegible].

[illegible] estimated to be at the center of the earth 7,180,583,750 pounds to the square foot, a pressure so enormous that no known substance could rise beneath it. Even hydrogen at the highest possible temperature would under such conditions become as hard as a diamond. Hence it seems probable that, far from there being a vacuum at the center of the earth, there is a basis of intensely solid matter there.

He Wanted a Drink.

Some years ago Colonel Crisp was in New York, and being in attendance at a certain notable political gathering in Madison Square Garden, was well [illegible]

Do You Eat Out or In?

The number and variety of knives and forks that now grace a well equipped and formal dinner table may well dismay one unused to such a variegated display of cutlery and silver. There are forks for the oysters, for the fish and for the roast and forks as well for anything else that may be served. There are also knives to correspond to the forks that may be needed. These implements that social convention decrees to be necessary to convey food to the mouth are usually laid out in formidable rows on either side of the plate.

The other evening a simple western maiden at her first eastern dinner surveyed her supply of knives and forks with growing trepidation. Her common sense told her that they were laid out in the regular order in which it was intended that they should be used, but nothing in her experience had taught her which was the right end of the row to start in with. Finally, in despair, she sought help from her next door neighbor, a prominent physician.

"Say, doc," she questioned anxiously as she pointed at the offending objects, "do you eat out or in?"—New York Tribune.

Wanted to Warn Him.

Sir Algernon West tells this story in his "Recollections:" One day the late Sir George Campbell, who had a very strident, loud, rasping voice, called on Sir Algernon, who was then secretary to Mr. Gladstone, to talk over the land question.

After he had been in conversation about three minutes the office keeper appeared, bearing the card of an M. P. who, he said, was very anxious to see Sir Algernon. The latter said he was sorry to be engaged. In another minute he appeared with the card of a well known peer who was most desirous to have a word with him. Again the latter said he was too busy to see him just then. In another minute the man again came in with a huge card saying the lord mayor and sheriffs of London wanted to speak to Sir Algernon West very urgently in the next room.

Sir Algernon apologized to Sir George and went out to such great dignitaries. When he got out of the room, the office keeper startled him by saying, "There ain't nobody here, sir. I was afraid a nobleman had been [illegible] you by mistake, and I wanted to [illegible] you, sir."

A Spree on Sixpence.

An eccentric [illegible] years ago [illegible] every week, [illegible] land Chronicle, [illegible] period he gave his wife sixpence less than the full amount. This so disturbed the thrifty wife that she went to consult the minister on the subject. He tried to comfort her by saying that sixpence in 37 years was not a large amount.

"It's no the money a'm thinking of," she replied, "but a'm fearing that Mac has been taking to drink and betting, maybe, and other worldly pleasures."

MORTGAGE SALE.

UNDER and by virtue of the powers contained in a certain mortgage or charge under the Land Titles Act which will be produced at the time of sale, there will be offered for sale by public auction by Howard Barnes, Esquire, auctioneer, at the Town Hall, Rat Portage, at 12 o'clock noon on Wednesday, the 25th day of July, 1900, the following property, namely: [illegible] PARCEL [illegible] [illegible] story [illegible] PARCEL [illegible] Lot No. 42 [illegible] on which is erected a good one story cottage, subject to a certain mortgage for $[illegible] in favor of the Ontario Permanent Building and Loan Association.

The said mortgage is not standing against whole property, but it will be arranged that each lot shall stand against the lands in the manner above described.

For terms and conditions of sale apply to

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H. Dale, the largest florist and rose grower in the world died at his residence Brampton, Ont., Sunday night last after a brief illness. He was the founder of Brampton's leading industry. About 20 years ago he commenced growing flowers in a small way, and gradually increased the business till he had acres and acres covered with glass, shipping his famous roses to New York, Montreal, Toronto, Buffalo and other places. He employed about 40 men growing roses.

Veron Stewart, from Athens, Ont., an employee at Hon. Thos Greenway's farm in Manitoba, was killed by lightning while hauling straw.

A party of 175 Icelanders arrived direct from Iceland recently for settlement in the province. It is expected that about 1,000 more will go to Manitoba this year.

Cape Town advices state that when the war in South Africa is over 10,000 Boers, chiefly naturalized citizens of the Transvaal, will emigrate to the United States. Irish Americans are arranging the preliminaries for this movement.

The first battalions of the Black Watch, Scotch Rifles and Shropshire Light Infantry; the second battalion of the Inniskillen Fusileers, the 20th Punjab Infantry, and the 6th Bengalese regiment have been warned to prepare to proceed to China.

Mrs. A. S. Goodman, aged 23, whose former home was in Canada, and who deserted her husband in a town near Chicago, committed suicide Sunday by drinking carbolic acid in a house on Hill street, Rochester.

Reports from Cape Nome show a very unsatisfactory condition of things. There are about 25,000 people there, thousands without shelter, smallpox and typhoid are prevalent, everything at famine prices, every claim has two or more claimants, and the gun is in frequent demand.

Mr. Cronwright-Schreiner, the husband of Olive Schreiner, pleads for a wise and considerate settlement of the South African question after the crisis of war is over, and contends that any settlement to be permanent must be an acknowledgement on the part of England of the independence of the republics. He holds that in annexing them the British government would violate its most sacred engagements."

Sheng, director of chinese telegraphs, called a meeting of the consular body at Shanghai on Saturday and informed the representatives of the powers that the members of the Pekin Legations and the guards were annihilated on or about June 30, after a brave resistance and a desperate sortie.

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J. L. Bell, assistant gold commissioner at Dawson, estimates the season's output at $20,000,000, or about $4,000,000 in advance of that of last year. Others expect the yield to be rather higher, but Mr. Bell is likely, by reason of his official position, to be fairly accurate in his forecast.

True and Honest Dispensing

True and honest dispensing is an absolute necessity when medicines are prescribed by the physician. Our dispensing department is conducted on such perfected plans that errors are impossible. Strict attention to business, pure drugs and low prices have won for us a large measure of public confidence.

THE KIND THAT CURES.

If you are suffering from headache, indigestion, heart trouble, liver complaint, kidney disease or ills resulting from impure blood, we strongly advise you to use Paine's Celery Compound. It is the great banisher of disease, the only medicine that can bring you health and strength. Try a bottle of Paine's Celery Compound if you feel weak and run-down it is a marvellous strengthener. J. Werner, Druggist, Rat Portage, Ont.

Two Butler Stories.

Once when General Butler was in congress he rose in his place and gently insinuated that the member who was occupying the floor was transgressing the limit of debate. "Why, general," said the member in reproachful tones, "you divided your time with me." "I know I did," rejoined the grim old warrior, "but I did not divide eternity with you."

But perhaps Butler's most savage retort was made in a political convention, in which a distinguished Unitarian divine, I think it was James Freeman Clarke, sat as a delegate. While the subject of candidates was being discussed this clergyman announced that if a certain nomination was made he would bolt it.

"Very likely," Butler blurted out. "You are good at bolting, in your religion you bolt two thirds of the Trinity."

The convention broke into a roar of laughter, in which the clergyman joined.—New York Mail and Express.

Jewelry Marked by Tiny Numbers.

On every piece of worthy jewelry there will be found a series of numbers so fine that a glass is needed to correctly read them. These numbers are there to protect the owner in event of loss. It is unkind to say it, but pawnbrokers have also adopted the numbering scheme to protect themselves from thieves. Every pawnbroker knows where to look for these significant numbers, and in the case of a rare bit of jewelry its travels from the factory to store and from store to pawnbroker and from shop to shop can be traced with aggravating accuracy.—Detroit Free Press.

He Wanted a Drink.

Some years ago Colonel Crisp was in New York, and being in attendance at a certain notable political gathering in Madison Square Garden was called upon for a speech. And did he accept? Well, rather! Running his fingers through his hair, adjusting his vest and pushing up his coat sleeves, he started in to sprinkle eagle feathers all over the stage. Now, the colonel is a stout man and has a thirst in proportion. In the course of his passionate harangue he became very warm and asked that some water be provided. In compliance with the request a diminutive pitcher and dainty little glass were brought and placed before him.

Colonel Crisp looked at it intently for a few moments, and then "What is this?" he thundered.

"W-w-water," timidly answered one of the vice presidents.

"Young man," bellowed the colonel, his nostrils quivering with suppressed rage, "either bring me a bucket and a gourd or lead me to the branch."—Kansas City Independent.

Complete Extinguishment.

Rupert—It was a strange case! He left the club one night to go to the opera and was never seen or heard of afterward.

Harold—Disappeared as completely as if the earth had opened and swallowed him up, eh?

Rupert—More so, if possible. In that case he might have left his hat above ground or there might have been a crack left to show where he disappeared, but this fellow, mind you, disappeared as completely as if he had married an authoress.—Puck.

She Was Willing.

Young Biffkins—Before you give me your answer, Miss Ethel, I want to tell you that I haven't a penny I can call my own, but my father is quite wealthy, and only yesterday he said our home was sadly in need of a woman's guiding hand.

Miss Ethel—Well, you might mention to your father that I would not be averse to accepting a position as mother to his only boy.—Chicago News.

Not of That Nationality.

The Londoner tells the story of a gentleman who was much annoyed by having his head pinched during the operation of hair cutting. The barber apologized and explained that there was an unusual bump there.

"Are you a phrenologist?" asked the patient.

"No, sir," answered the barber. "I'm a Swede."—London Globe.

Some Figures.

"You say that figures don't lie? Well, permit me to flatly contradict you."

"May I ask your business?"

"I'm a dressmaker."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Lying side by side in specially prepared graves on the farm of the late Robert Bonner in New York are the remains of Dexter and Maud S, two of the greatest horses the world ever saw.

The vast majority of sales, No. 49 (also 50 feet by 75 feet) on which is erected a good one story cottage, subject to a certain mortgage for $400 in favor of the Ontario Permanent Building and Loan Association.

The said mortgages not to stand against whole property, but it will be arranged that each loan shall stand against the lands in the manner above described.

For terms and conditions of sale apply to

J. EDWARD BIRD,
Imperial Bank Block,
Rat Portage, Ont.
Solicitor for Mortgagee.

Rat Portage, June 28, 1900.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

IN THE MATTER of the estate of WILLIAM MAILING, late of the Town of Rat Portage, in the District of Rainy River, Agent, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to the Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1897, Cap. 128, that all creditors and others having claims against the estate of William Mailing, who died on or about the 19th day of April, A. D., 1900, on or before the 21st day of July, A. D., 1900, to send by post prepaid or deliver to A. M. Rose, executor of the last will and testament of the said deceased, their christian and surnames, addresses and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims, a verified statement of their accounts and the nature of the securities (if any) held by them.

And take notice that after the last mentioned date, the said executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have notice, and the said executor will not be liable for the said assets, or any part thereof, to any person or persons of whose claim notice shall not have been received by him at the time of such distribution.

Dated at Rat Portage this 19th day of June, A. D. 1900.

ALLAN McLENNAN
Solicitor for A. M. ROSE,
Executor.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

IN THE MATTER of the Estate of MORRISETTE and SETTERINGTON, Insolvents.

NOTICE is hereby given that a meeting of the Creditors of the above estate will be held at the office of the undersigned, Main St., Rat Portage, on Friday, the [illegible] day of July, 1900, at the hour of three in the afternoon for the purpose of fixing the remuneration of the Inspectors and of the Assignee and receiving a report of the affairs of the Estate, and for winding up the affairs of the Estate generally.

Dated at Rat Portage, [illegible] day of [illegible] 1900.

A. M. ROSE
Assignee.

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Public Notice.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the depositing of dead animals, manure, night soil, on BURNER at NUISANCE GROUND is prohibited.

Arrangements have been made with Wm. Saunders for disposal of these on his farm on next lot north.

By order of
BOARD OF HEALTH.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the head office of the Decca Mining Company of Ontario, Limited (no personal liability), will be changed from Mine Centre, Ontario, to Ottawa, Ontario, according to the provisions of the act respecting the same.

Application has already been made to the Provincial Secretary to have this change made and the application will be renewed as soon as this notice has appeared twice in this paper.

The Decca Mining Co., of Ontario, Limited.

W. F. BORLAND, President. BANNELL SAWYER, Sec.-Treasurer.

EARTH, THE BEAUTIFUL.

I think the time will never be
When earth will not seem fair to me.

If I may see the arching sky,
[illegible] fleecy cloud, wind-wafted by,
A tree with green, uplifted head,
And clover in its shadow spread,
[illegible] a rivulet's sweetly tinkling,
[illegible] ripples dancing in the light,
[illegible] Sorrows may grow, deep my woe,
Yet happiness my heart must know.

[illegible] eyes no ray
Should enter from the brightest day,
[illegible]
My [illegible] way I should forget
And [illegible] there
The [illegible] stretched
[illegible]
And [illegible] around my feet
[illegible] flowers, fair and sweet.
[illegible]
[illegible] for me
[illegible] for me
[illegible]
[illegible] the skies,
[illegible] away,
[illegible]

Frank M. [illegible] in New York Sun.

LIBERTY OR WHAT?

A Story of Love and War.

[illegible] day was drawing to its close. [illegible] had been to that the [illegible] sun had sunk in a crimson glow, [illegible] the new-weather heaven [illegible] and hold the rosy light [illegible] the buildings [illegible] Purple [illegible] [illegible] of glory. [illegible] under the [illegible] evening moral [illegible] Back and forth [illegible] a lonely student figure [illegible] single [illegible] of the [illegible]

"[illegible] you heard what de[illegible] [illegible]?"

"[illegible] nothing," answered the girl [illegible] Newcombe told me today [illegible] were all on the tiptoe of expectation. But determined to fight it [illegible] with, no matter what happens."

"[illegible] captain is very gallant. If all [illegible] leave as he there [illegible] about an American [illegible]

"[illegible] your criticism is unjust. [illegible] You are letting jen colpe the [illegible] of your disposition be[illegible] [illegible] to know the hearts [illegible] of Newcombe that's all [illegible]

"[illegible] not complain of Lieu[illegible] [illegible] courage, for he certainly [illegible] at least, before [illegible] nearly a month."

[illegible] Hope is exceed[illegible] [illegible] you call persistence in a [illegible] I wonder if [illegible] money is only worth[illegible] Bobby, I feel like [illegible]

[illegible] softly from [illegible] It is too [illegible]

stand in the way of each other's happiness, strained their ears to listen. Almost unconscious of the other's presence, they both ran out at the man's words and stood there with drawn faces, deathlike in their awful pallor, while he repeated the news that made desolate many a happy fireside and veiled with tears the light in loving eyes.

The widow's lithe form swayed and trembled, and she would have fallen had not Zoritsa suddenly seemed to realize that her mother was there. With a quick catching of the breath and a dry, choking sob in her throat, she reached out her arms and caught her.

Each read with anguish the truth in the other's eyes, and in each heart was a momentary struggle for the victory. The painful quietness of despair seemed to envelop the young girl, and, with eyes heavy with unshed tears, she [illegible] blindly led her mother into the house.

This, then, was why Zoritsa had claimed her freedom. Oh, why had she not told Zoritsa before that the captain had already confessed his love for her? And it was only last night they were to have told her of their happiness. Today he is dead—dead! Unable to control herself, she broke into passionate weeping.

"Darlest," the girl said, drawing the [illegible] head to her breast, "did you so love him so much?"

"Love him? Better than life!"

"There may be—there must be some sad mistake." She did not know [illegible] had seen the love light in [illegible] and had rightly interpreted [illegible] there was not a quiver of [illegible] her heart was breaking. All [illegible] light had gone out. Her [illegible] was a world of darkness.

[illegible] came. One by one the stars [illegible]. A solemn hush lay over all. [illegible] camp seemed deserted and [illegible] save the occasional screech of [illegible] poorwill broke the dead silence. [illegible] ning for the sympathetic visitors of the night and the companionship of the broad, calm sky, dotted with its myriads of stars, Zoritsa crept [illegible] her mother, and with a heavy [illegible] went out into the darkness.

What was that? Sounds of rejoicing? How they grated upon her now! Hurrah! what were they saying? Hush!

"Captain — alive — [illegible] — escaped!"

Could it be true? Her heart gave a great leap. Yes, there was a loud "Hurrah!" It was true! He was not killed after all, then, and perhaps not even wounded! Ah—but she was not to think of herself. Yet why should she give up the hope hidden in her heart so long and make the little mother unhappy? With a moan more like a sob, she threw herself upon [illegible] bound.

"O, God! Thou who didst teach [illegible] love! Why didst thou give me this enslaved, only to withdraw it as I stooped to drink?"

[illegible] an agony of Soul she wrestled [illegible] her own desires, [illegible] love. It seemed to her life and happiness [illegible]

Quiet, resigned and calm, she found her way home, softly unlatched the

PRESENTED AT COURT.

A young woman about to be presented at court receives the fullest instructions as to her behavior. She is told how to dress; how to manage her train; how to courtesy correctly. Every incident is carefully rehearsed so that she may commit no blunder in the presence of royalty. If all this trouble is worth while for the satisfaction of one brief moment, how infinitely

more important it is that a young girl about to enter into the sacred precincts of womanhood, should be properly instructed in all that concerns a life-time of possible happiness, or possible misery.

Every mother ought to see to it that her daughters are healthy and strong in a womanly way. She ought to make them aware that any neglect or irregularity of the special functions of womanhood may result in life-long weakness and disease.

Any mother or daughter may write concerning these delicate ailments, with the utmost confidence to Dr. R.V. Pierce, chief consulting physician to the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, of Buffalo, N. Y. Her letter will be answered free of charge with suggestions for self-treatment at home, by which these complaints may be overcome without [illegible] of monthly examinations.

[illegible] has had over thirty years' experience in the treatment of women's [illegible] is an eminent specialist in this particular [illegible] of practice. His "Favorite Prescription" cures completely and [illegible] the most obstinate cases of [illegible] weakness and disease. It helps all [illegible] conditions, strengthens and tones the nerve-centres and the entire [illegible] organism.

[illegible] "Favorite Prescription" is a [illegible]

[illegible] three years with female weakness [illegible] Miss Helen Gray, of Bedford City, Va. "I had two [illegible] which did me any good. I [illegible] pains in my left side and the [illegible] it was time for my monthly [illegible] I would die with pain. [illegible] stomach. I also had [illegible] up without fainting. [illegible] time to write to you, [illegible] I took three bottles of your [illegible] Prescription and Golden Medical Discovery. [illegible] I do not feel any pains at all. I am better health now than I [illegible]

[illegible] for thirteen years, and for [illegible] suffered continually. [illegible] E. Smith, of Lake [illegible] N. C., writes: "I suffered [illegible] and could not get up without help. [illegible] I took your Favorite Prescription and Golden Medical Discovery, [illegible] bottles each of the [illegible] I was greatly improved. [illegible] I was able to do my housework. [illegible]

and for three years had suffered continually," writes Mrs. Martha E. Smith, of Laurel Branch, Alleghany Co., N. C., "Words cannot express what I suffered. I sought relief among the medical profession and found none until induced, by kind friends, to try your most valuable medicine. After consultation with you I followed your directions, and after taking [illegible] bottles of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription and Golden Medical Discovery, I improved. Now I feel that I am cured. When I commenced taking your medicine I could not walk across the room without assistance, which [illegible] anxiety, and [illegible] all my [illegible] disease all [illegible] as I [illegible] dies in the [illegible]

[illegible] should own a [illegible] Mr. [illegible] United States, [illegible] laws [illegible] These talks are [illegible] illustrations [illegible] devoted to woman's [illegible] There are sug- [illegible] ment. This book [illegible] than a million [illegible] price was $1.50. [illegible] covers is being [illegible] send 31 one-cent [illegible] stone and mail- [illegible] Medical [illegible] N. Y. If a [illegible] is desired, send 50 stamps.

What He Was Saving For.

"I don't think," said the observant boarder, "that I should care to propose to a girl addicted to photography."

"And why not?" asked the cross-eyed boarder.

"I should be afraid that she would seize the opportunity to develop a negative."—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

A Saved Her Life.

Riggs—Hear about Mrs. Titewadd? Told her husband she would kill herself if he didn't buy her a new bonnet.

Jiggs—What did Titewadd do?

[illegible] got estimates on funerals, [illegible] could save $2 by buying the [illegible] and saved her life.—Baltimore [illegible]

His Queer Way In Church.

[illegible] most original [illegible] "Members of the [illegible] Army" [illegible] rather [illegible] close [illegible] man [illegible] the [illegible] tion, [illegible] to [illegible] clear [illegible] close [illegible] man [illegible] ing, in [illegible] sa- [illegible] But we shall get [illegible]

[illegible] when the words, "Be [illegible] half of my goods I give to [illegible] were read, he announced his [illegible] worst sports by replying "No, [illegible] I can't do that. A bailiff is no match for any man, but I have no other [illegible] a tent.

Again, on hearing the text, "For we brought nothing into the world, neither may we carry anything out," he ejaculated, "Take, then, too many calls upon us for that."

Masterly Strategy.

Two gunners, one a young lady, were [illegible] to handle a towling piece, [illegible] other a sharpshooter, were [illegible] of ducks in the marsh [illegible] just south of Marcus Hook. They had floated their decoys and were patiently awaiting the coming of the game when, on a sudden impulse, the disciple of the shamrock put gun to shoulder and fired both barrels into the midst of the floating flock of mimic ducks. In answer to an expostulation from his companion the offender replied

"It's yoreself that has no sagacity at all. Faith, when the birds see what a bad shot I am they'll think you're no better, and it's a bothered ov ducks we'll be afther takin' home, d'y mind?"—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Two women within, so dear to each other and yet each seeming to

Business Locals.

Kershaw's baggage transfer phone 68

Douglas Transfer, Phone 45.

Money to loan on easy terms. See GEO. EVANS, Fort St.

For fine WATCH REPAIRING at a reasonable charge go to W. A. FERGUSON, THE WATCH SPECIALIST. Next door to Drewry's. tf

Items of Local Interest

The open season for shooting plover in Manitoba does not commence till August 1. Last year it was July 15, but the date was changed at the recent session of the legislature.

The Winnipeg exhibition commences next Monday.

An excursion train of Ontario homeseekers went through Wednesday to Manitoba and the Northwest.

Building to the value of nearly $800,000 are being erected in Winnipeg this year.

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days at the university. In its salutory the editor says it has no doctrines to propound, no phases to sound, no reforms to advocate, but its pages are open to articles which may propound wholesome doctrines, which may sound deserved praise, or which may advocate reasonable reforms. It should be in the hands of all graduates who should contribute to its columns.

Welcome news goes to Ensign and Mrs. Habkirk will be held in the Salvation Army Barracks on Saturday evening, July 21st. After the meeting a popular Social will be given. Admission Free. Do not fail to come.

The C.P.R. has announced its new [illegible] to Whitepine during exhibition week. The fare from Rat Portage to Winnipeg and return is $1.

The Port Arthur Chronicle says there is still considerable talk being bandied about as to who will be Conservative candidate for Algoma in the next sounding federal election.

Angus McKay, the Port William civic [illegible] says:

It is expected that a new station will be built at Port Arthur this fall.

Mr. Joseph Brent, of Amherstburg, is visiting his son Charles Brent, M. E. of the Rat Portage Metallurgical works.

The new post office has brought new arrangements and now the delivery is made on the opening of the office at 8 in the morning. Postmaster Parsons is deserving of praise for this change, as it is not only a convenience to business men, but also to mining men and others who desire to go out on the lake in the morning.

Picnics are quite the order of things these balmy days. Our streets are dotted here and there with basket carriers, and if some people don't cease going so much they will acquire permanently stooped shoulders. An acute observer remarks that about 3 o'clock the level of the lake rises an inch or two on account of the number of bathers in the water at that time.

Rev. J. A. Gordon, of First Baptist church, Montreal, one of the most eloquent Baptist preachers in Canada, will preach in the Tabernacle next Sunday morning and evening.

A large party of Ontario excursionists passed through this [illegible] bound for Manitoba and Northwest points. An excursion of Scotch homeseekers [illegible] passed [illegible] yesterday.

The Keewatin will [illegible] excursion [illegible] on board. Tickets 25c.

St. Alban's Sunday [illegible] picnic [illegible] on Coney Island Tuesday.

A very funny thing happened on the last trip of the Keewatin. Two Indians who evidently had had too good a time at the treaty grounds, were asleep in their canoe, the bow man leaning forward and the stern man leaning back. As the steamer went up the river the swells from the boat and the cheers from the passengers brought the two sleepers to consciousness with a jerk that was very amusing. The canoe evidently carried four loads—first the two Indians and then the two loads of firewater.

Norman Presbyterian Sunday school held their annual picnic at Coney Island Wednesday.

Hamilton Post: It seems to be Great Britain's peculiar fortune to run up against nations who have been accumulating armaments on the sly. If we were to go to war with Hayti she would probably produce a fleet or two from up her sleeve.

Steamer Shamrock will run to Whitefish bay connecting with steamers Jennie Lind and Alma T. for Whitefish, Sturgeon, and Deer lake points, on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday. For excursion rates on all regular trips apply to office on Main St.

Lord Cardinal has purchased the yacht Bonnie Belle from J. E. Bird, and now spends a great deal of time [illegible] the surface of the lake with his yacht.

A Bad Case of Asthma

Mr. George Belden, Putnamville, Ont., [illegible] "I feel it my duty to recommend Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine, as I had the Asthma very bad; could get nothing to do me any good. A friend of mine persuaded me to try this remedy, as he had tried it, and it proved successful. I tried it and it cured me. I am thankful today to say I am a well woman through the use of this remedy. I keep it in the house all the time and would not be without it.

N. P. Crop Report

The Northern Pacific crop report received Tuesday is more favorable than ever. The weather could not have been better for growing crops than it has been in all parts during the past fortnight. On the Portage branch the wheat yield will run from half crop to eighteen bushels to the acre. On the main line there will be a good half crop. On the Morris-Brandon branch the predictions are not so confident, and the yield will run from six to twelve bushels per acre, although in some districts the yield will not be less than fifteen bushels per acre. On the Souris river branch the agents predict from five to six bushels per acre to half a crop. The coarser grains, as well as the root crop and hay are favorably reported on, and, as a rule, their yield will be a fair average one in all districts.

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Sudbury Journal: Mrs. D. John, whose husband is assistant manager of the Mikado gold mine, near Rat Portage, reached town Thursday morning on a visit to her relatives here. This is Mrs. John's first visit to her old home since she and Mr. John went to Rat Portage over four years ago. She looks as if the climate of Western Ontario agreed well with her.

All visitors to the big summer Fair should not fail to see the greatest curiosity on the grounds—The Human Dragon—a terrible, horrible-looking monster, captured by a crowd of Phillipinos and U. S. soldiers in a Manila swamp, and will now be shown for the first time outside Central Park, New York.

Lieut. Gen. Sir Henry Wilkinson had a nephew killed at the relief of Kumassie on the west coast of Africa. He was a lieutenant in Sir Frederick Hodgson's command, and was a gallant soldier. Gen. Wilkinson has felt keenly this loss of a favorite nephew. His many friends in town will sympathize with him in this affliction.

We have received a copy of the first number of the University of Toronto Monthly. A nicely printed magazine, devoted to to the interests of its alma mater. It is filled with splendid articles relating to the university, and for graduates, is a [illegible] reminder of

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